GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1366
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TWO CHILD NORM
Khan Shri Sunil

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to bring a legislation for two-child norm; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a)to(b) The Constitution 79th Amendment Bill 1992 disqualifying a person having more than two children to be a member of either house of Parliament and State Legislature (with prospective effect) was introduced in Rajya Sabha in December 1992.The Bill was later referred to Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resource Development. On the recommendations of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resource Development the Government convened meetings of leaders of various political parties in Parliament to ensure the passage of the Bill. No consensus emerged in favour of the Bill. As such the Bill is pending in Rajya Sabha due to lack of unanimity on the subject among various political groups/parties.